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recommend his work to the notice of our readers, we assure him that we shall be glad to meet him again in a field in which he seems so well qualified to labor.

- 8.—1. *Report of the Managers of the Port Society of the City of Boston and its Vicinity, at its Seventh Annual Meeting, held on the First of February, 1836.* Boston. John H. Eastburn. 8vo. pp. 23.
2. *Third Annual Report of the Seaman's Aid Society, of the City of Boston.* Written by MRS. SARAH J. HALE. Boston. James B. Dow. 12mo. pp. 32.

THE first of these documents is an exceedingly able and interesting pamphlet. It contains a history of the doings in which the Boston Port Society has been directly or indirectly engaged; a consideration of the success which has attended them; an account of the present condition of the seamen of Boston, and an outline of the best methods to be hereafter taken for their improvement.

The following important institutions have been established for the benefit of seamen; the Seamen's Bethel in North Square; the Bethel Reading Room; the Bethel Union; the Bethel Temperance Society; the Bethel Nautical School; the Seaman's Aid Society; and the Savings Bank for Seamen.

These institutions are obviously suited to the exigency of the case, and the managers give us a detail of facts, which show that they have gone into successful operation. The account of the religious services, principally under the direction of the eloquent Mr. Taylor, at the Seamen's Bethel, is beautiful and affecting. It is stated that the Bethel Temperance Society has ninety-three members, and the Bethel Union one hundred and forty-five; and the Savings Bank for Seamen had in January last, \$24,600, deposited for seamen only. These are cheering facts, about which there can be no mistake.

The Report proceeds to consider the present condition of seamen in the port of Boston, which it represents as still deplorably low. The causes of the fact are fully stated. In this part of the discussion a number of startling particulars are produced, and a system of horrible wickedness is unfolded. The facts exhibited in relation to the infamous frauds practised upon seamen by shipping masters and landlords, and the whole crew of atrocious villains, five hundred or more, banded with them, are such as to defy belief, if they were not too well authenticated. The clearness, the cogency, the eloquence of this admirable Report,

place the subject in its proper light. The appeal has been made, and we are confident that it will not be disregarded. The magnitude of the evil has been described in the language of feeling and truth; the remedies have been pointed out, and there will not be wanting an energetic and liberal public spirit to apply them. The merchants and citizens of Boston are awake on the subject.

The Report of the Seaman's Aid Society is from the pen of Mrs. Sarah J. Hale. It gives us an interesting account of the measures adopted and executed by ladies of Boston, in aid of the general objects of the Boston Port Society. Their efforts have been chiefly directed to the wives and daughters of seamen. The means of the Society have not been very abundant; but the good they have done, by the admirable judgment with which their operations have been conducted, is truly delightful to witness or hear of. The charity they have bestowed has been in the most unexceptionable form; the furnishing of employment, for which good wages have been paid; the preserving the self-respect of the poor, and guarding their virtue by promoting their industry, while their wants are effectually supplied. Many poor females, connected with seamen, have been employed by them in making sailors' clothes, for which a store has been provided. This answers the double purpose of giving employment to the women, for which they are well paid, and furnishing the sailors with a convenient mode of supplying themselves with well-made clothes, at a reasonable price, and safe from the harpies of the *slop-shops*. The Society was also desirous of establishing a free school for the daughters of seamen. It is stated that two hundred dollars would defray all the expenses of such a school for six months. We understand that they have fully succeeded in accomplishing this noble object.

It is evident that the subject of these two reports is one of deep interest to the city of Boston; it has attracted much attention, and is going to attract more. The press should be unceasing in its calls upon the good feelings of the public, to see to it that the mischief go no further, and exist no longer. Our gallant tars, whose bravery protects our rights on the sea, ought not to be left a prey to "the harpies of the shore."

9. — *El Ingenioso Hidalgo Don Quixote de la Mancha. Nueva Edición Clásica, emendada y corregida.* Por FRANCISCO SALES, A. M. Boston. 1836. 2 vols. 12mo.

MR. SALES is entitled to the thanks of the lovers of Spanish literature, for this accurate and beautiful edition of the immortal Don Quixote. It is well printed in two neat volumes, adorned